

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO  
WESTERN DIVISION (DAYTON)

<p><b>DWAYNE COOPER</b>, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Plaintiff,</p> <p>v.</p> <p><b>CARESOURCE</b>,</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Defendant.</p>	<p>Case No. 3:23-CV-00256</p> <p><b>District Judge Michael J. Newman</b> <b>Magistrate Judge Peter B. Silvain</b></p> <p>Complaint filed September 4, 2023</p>
<p><b>DAVID TZIKAS</b>, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Plaintiff,</p> <p>v.</p> <p><b>CARESOURCE</b>,</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Defendant.</p>	<p>Case No. 3:23-CV-00260</p> <p><b>District Judge Michael J. Newman</b></p> <p>Complaint filed September 6, 2023</p>
<p><b>THOMAS CAMPO</b>, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Plaintiff,</p> <p>v.</p> <p><b>CARESOURCE</b>,</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Defendant.</p>	<p>Case No. 3:23-CV-00259</p> <p><b>District Judge Michael J. Newman</b></p> <p>Complaint filed September 6, 2023</p>
<p><b>TIFFANY STEVENS</b>, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Plaintiff,</p> <p>v.</p> <p><b>CARESOURCE</b>,</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Defendant.</p>	<p>Case No. 3:23-CV-00263</p> <p><b>District Judge Michael J. Newman</b></p> <p>Complaint filed September 8, 2023</p>

<p><b>CHANNON WILLIS</b>, individually as next friend of C.M., a minor child, and on behalf of all others similarly situated,</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Plaintiff,</p> <p>v.</p> <p><b>CARESOURCE</b>,</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Defendant.</p>	<p>Case No. 3:23-CV-00264</p> <p><b>District Judge Michael J. Newman</b></p> <p>Complaint filed September 13, 2023</p>
<p><b>RACHEL EMBERT</b>, on behalf of herself, her minor child, KG, and on behalf of all others similarly situated,</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Plaintiff,</p> <p>v.</p> <p><b>CARESOURCE</b>,</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Defendant.</p>	<p>Case No. 3:23-CV-00270</p> <p><b>District Judge Michael J. Newman</b></p> <p>Complaint filed September 19, 2023</p>
<p><b>PATSIE ESLINGER</b>, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Plaintiff,</p> <p>v.</p> <p><b>CARESOURCE</b>,</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Defendant</p>	<p>Case No. 3:23-CV-00271</p> <p><b>District Judge Michael J. Newman</b></p> <p>Complaint filed September 19, 2023</p>
<p><b>AMANDA CAMERON, CATHERINE CUSTER, AND KYLE CUSTER</b>, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Plaintiff,</p> <p>v.</p> <p><b>CARESOURCE</b>,</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Defendant.</p>	<p>Case No. 3:23-CV-00274</p> <p><b>District Judge Michael J. Newman</b></p> <p>Complaint filed September 21, 2023</p>

<b>TODD HIGHAM</b> , individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,  Plaintiff,  <b>v.</b>  <b>CARESOURCE</b> ,  Defendant.	Case No. 3:23-CV-00276  <b>District Judge Michael J. Newman</b>  Complaint filed September 22, 2023
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**ORDER GRANTING JOINT MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE**

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 42(a) and S.D. Ohio Civ. R. 6.1, the Court **GRANTS** the Parties' Joint Motion for Consolidation and **ORDERS** the following:

1. *Cooper v. CareSource*, No. 3:23-CV-00256 (S.D. Ohio), *Tzikas v. CareSource*, No. 3:23-CV-00260 (S.D. Ohio), *Campo v. CareSource*, 3:23-CV-00259 (S.D. Ohio), *Stevens v. CareSource*, No. 3:23-CV-00263 (S.D. Ohio), *Willis v. CareSource*, No. 3:23-CV-00264 (S.D. Ohio), *Embert v. CareSource*, No. 3:23-CV-00270 (S.D. Ohio), *Eslinger v. CareSource*, No. 3:23-CV-00271 (S.D. Ohio), *Cameron, et al. v. CareSource*, No. 3:23-CV-00274 (S.D. Ohio), *Higham v. CareSource*, No. 3:23-CV-00276 (S.D. Ohio) are **CONSOLIDATED** for all purposes with the first filed action, *Cooper v. CareSource*, No. 3:23-CV-00256 (S.D. Ohio);

2. Defendant's deadline for responding, via answer or otherwise, to the above-mentioned cases is hereby **STAYED**;

3. Plaintiffs' counsel shall **FILE** any requests for appointment of interim class counsel under Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(g)(3) within 7 days of this Order;

4. Plaintiffs shall **FILE** a consolidated amended complaint within 30 days of this Order; and,

5. Defendant shall then have 45 days from the filing of the consolidated amended complaint to respond. If Defendant responds by filing a motion to dismiss, then Plaintiffs shall have 30 days thereafter to file their opposition, and Defendant shall have 21 days thereafter to file a reply in support.

6. Pursuant to the Court's Standing Order Governing Civil Cases (eff. July 14, 2023),<sup>1</sup> these consolidated cases are referred to U.S. Magistrate Judge Peter B. Silvain, Jr. to manage or resolve any discovery disputes that might arise.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

October 5, 2023

s/Michael J. Newman  
Hon. Michael J. Newman  
United States District Judge

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<sup>1</sup> The Standing Order Governing Civil Cases can be found on the Court's website at <https://www.ohsd.uscourts.gov/FPNewman>.